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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALAN, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street; E. C. GROVER, STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill; GORDON & GOVE, Ludgate Circus; E.C. BATES & CO., 37, Walbrook; E.C. HENDY & CO., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street; W.M. WILLIS, 101, Cannon Street; E.C. ROBERT WATSON, 150, Fleet Street.

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BANKS.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Bills may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposit is allowed at 3% PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSITS at 4% PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,

F. DE BOVIS,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 1, 1891. 1515

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....\$1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....\$ 500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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CHAN KIN SHAN, Esq., Esq.,
C. J. HIRE, Esq., W. WOZNIAK, Esq.,
KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.,
Chief Manager.
Geo. W. F. PLATTAIL.

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PALMER & CO.,
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Hallam.

Geo. MUNRO, Manager.
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SCOTLAND—THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF
SCOTLAND.

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C. J. GALLOWAY, Manager.

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Yokohama—D. FRASER, Manager.

Current Accounts opened. Money saved on Deposits, Drafts issued, Bills purchased and collected. Advances made on securities of goods in neutral godowns. Usual Bank Agency business undertaken.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 6%
6 do. 6 do. do. 5%
do. 6 do. do. 3%
Current Accounts 2%.

For rates of Interest for other periods apply to the Manager.

Hongkong, February 17, 1892. 22

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000.
RESERVE FUND.....\$ 6,300,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF \$10,000,000.
PROFITS.....

COURT OF DIRECTORS—
S. C. MICHAELSON, Esq., Chairman;
L. POSENKEV, Esq., Deputy Chairman;
T. E. Davies, Esq., Alex. McConachie;
C. J. Holiday, Esq., Esq.;
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Hongkong—F. DE BOVIS, Esq.,
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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND
COUNTY BANKING CO. LTD.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED—
On Current Account at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum on the daily balance up to \$200,000.

On Fixed Deposits—
For 6 months 3% per cent. per annum.

12 " 4 " up to \$200,000.

18 " 6 " on sums in excess of \$200,000.

HONGKONG—INTEREST CHARGED—
6% on LOANS against Shares with full
margin.
6% on Advances against Goods in neutral
godowns.
7% on Current Account Overdraft.
7% on Advances against Goods in private
godowns.

F. DE BOVIS,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 27, 1892. 1071

Books.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK
CORPORATION, LIMITED.
AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$500,000.

LONDON:
Head Office—40, Threadneedle Street,
West End Office—25, Cockspur Street.

FRANCHISE IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN
AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives Money on Deposit,
Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange,
Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for
Collection, and Transacts Banking and
Agency Business generally, on terms to be
had on application.

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.
Hongkong, August 19, 1891. 1362

Intimations.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
GENERAL MEETING of the
SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company
will be held at the Registered Offices of
the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road
Central, on THURSDAY, the 24th Inst.,
at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Governing Director, with a
Statement of Accounts for the year 1891.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 24th
both days inclusive.

Hongkong, March 10, 1892. 510

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ninth Ordinary General MEETING
of SHAREHOLDERS will be held
at the Company's Office, Praya Central,
MONDAY, the 21st March, at Three
o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the General Manager,
and electing a Consulting Committee
and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 6th to 21st
March, both days inclusive.

ROBERT LANG & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, March 1, 1892. 418

NOTICE.

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of SHAREHOLDERS will be held
at the Company's Office, Praya Central,
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March, both days inclusive.

ROBERT LANG & CO.'S
DRESS SUIT,

NEWEST MATERIALS, from \$30.00, Silk-lined.

A VERY LARGE SELECTION OF SCOTCH TWEED, AND OTHER
SUITINGS.

EVENING DRESS SHIRTS, Latest Style.

Do. TIES and GLOVES.

Do. HOSE SILK, THREAD and MERINO.

Do. SHOES and PUMPS.

W. POWELL & CO.

JUST RECEIVED,
AN IMMENSE NEW STOCK OF
CROCKERY AND GLASS WARE.

BED ROOM WARE, TOILET SETS, DINNER SETS, TEA SETS, JUGS,
BASINS, TABLE GLASS, ORNAMENTAL GLASS AND CHINAWARE.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, March 5, 1892. 443

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1891.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above OFFICE
are requested to furnish the Under-
signed with a List of their CONTRIBUTIONS
for the year ending 31st December, 1891, in
Order that the DISTRIBUTION of BONUS
may be arranged. Returns not rendered
prior to the 31st DAY of MARCH INSTANT,
will be adjusted by the OFFICE, and no
Claims or Alterations will be subsequently
admitted.

JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, March 1, 1892. 418

WING HONG,
TAILOR, DRAFTER & OUTFITTER.

JUST RECEIVED
A LARGE STOCK OF
FANCY FLANNELS, SERGES, SCOTCH
TWEEDS, CHINESE SILKS

ALL KINDS OF
WINTER WOOLEN CLOTHS or hand-
sewing at Lowest Prices, &c.

Best TALES, WORK and PERFECT FIT
GUARANTEED.

Please call in and try.

68, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL. 2050

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, having REMOVED
his Residence to No. 90, WELLINGTON
STREET, all CLAIMS against him personally,
or against the CHEANG TEK KONG
SEE or the TEEUW FARM, as well as all
Papers and Correspondence, should be sent
to the above Address.

KOH CHENG SEAN.

Hongkong, February 29, 1892. 412

E. Kressmann, Bordeaux.

THE Undersigned hold STOCK of this
Firm's well-known BRANDS OF
GLAZERTS:

Per Dozen per Case
12s. 6d. 14s. 6d.

Mrs. J. D. ARTHUR, Drapier, 30, Queen's Road, Central.

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Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR.
SAIGON; SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ,
PORT SAID,
MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS; ALEXANDRIA,
MARSAILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1892, at Noon, the Company's
S.S. *OYUS*, Commander CHABONNEAU,
with MAILED PASSENGERS, SPECIES,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ad-
mitted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted at
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on
the 22nd March, 1892. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quested.

For further particulars apply at the
Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 9, 1892. 471

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN
FRANCISCO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Wednesday, Mar. 16.
City of Feking. Saturday, April 16.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CHINA*
will be despatched for SAN FRAN-
CISCO and YOKOHAMA, on WEDNES-
DAY, the 23rd March, at 1 p.m., taking
Passengers and Freight for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

From HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.
To San Francisco, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimalt, New Westminster, Port Town-
send, Seattle, Tacoma, Port-
land, O. \$225.00

To San Francisco and London \$225.00
To Paris and Bremen \$24.00
To Havre and Hamburg \$235.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RATES OF PASSAGE TO OVERLAND
CITIES, FIRST CLASS.

DESTINATION.

SO DAY
CONTINENTAL
TICKET.

TICKET.

Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb. \$25.00
St. Louis 220.00 291.50

St. Paul, Minn., Minneapolis 220.00

Chicago, Ill. 207.50 295.00

Milwaukee, Wis. 290.50 295.00

Cincinnati, Ohio 302.50 316.00

Columbus, Ohio 304.25 304.00

Detroit, Mich 304.95 326.75

Cleveland, Ohio 306.05 365.00

Toronto, Canada 309.95 367.45

Pittsburg, Penn. 310.25 307.00

Niagara Falls, N. Y., But-
falo, N. Y. 311.00 308.50

Washington, D. C., Balti-
more, Md. 317.90 311.75

Montreal, Canada 319.75 318.00

Philadelphia, Penn. 319.75 312.50

New York 319.75 316.00

Boston, Mass. 313.15 317.00

Portland, Maine 327.25 317.00

All the above Rates are in Mexican
Dollars.

Special rates (first class only) are granted
to Missionaries members of the Naval,
Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services,
to European officials in services of China or
Japan, and to Government officials and
their families.

Passengers by this Line have the option
of proceeding Overland by the South-
ern Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific
to Northern Pacific or San Joaquin Pacific
Railways.

Rating Tickets—First Class—Prepaid
return ticket to San Francisco will be
issued at following rates:

4 months \$337.50

12 months \$333.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to
date of re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-
embarking at San Francisco for China or
Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be
allowed a discount of 10% from Return
Fare. This allowance does not apply to
through fares from China and Japan to
Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Pacific Oceans, to the United States, via
Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad,
and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico,
Central and South America, by the Com-
pany's and connecting Steamers.

Bills will be received on board until 4
p.m., the day previous to sailing. Parcel
Packages will be received at the office until
5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

Conular Invoices to accompany Cargo
destined to San Francisco and San
Francisco to the United States should be sent to
the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes,
and to the Collector of Customs at San
Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 72 Queen's Road Central.
J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 3, 1892. 264

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owner, will be Responsible for
any Debts contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour.

John Weller, German barque, Capt. G.
Schiedemann & Co.

W. H. SMITH, American ship, Capt. R.
Brown, Charles, Matheson & Co.

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE,
CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1892.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Empress of Japan Tuesday, March 23.

Empress of China Tuesday, April 20.

Empress of India Tuesday, May 17.

THE R. M. S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN,

Lieut. G. A. Lee, R. N. R., Commander

sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 29th March, 1892, with Her Majesty's Mail,

will proceed to VANCOUVER and SHANG-

HAL INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKO-

HAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

(In Mexican Dollars.)

FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

TO

One way
Proposed
Return
Fees.

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A New System of Handcapping.—At a recent meeting in England the following system of handcapping was adopted, with good results. Three separate handcappers were appointed who drew lots independently of each other. These three handicaps were then posted; and the one which secured the largest number of acceptances was selected by the Stewards.

The *Asahi Shinshu* says that it contemplated to build at the Chicago Exhibition a building to be composed of the cruder, ancient, and modern, of those structures with which America had intercourse. It is said that *Japan's tempo* and Chinese old-fashioned coins will form the foundation of the structure, and that the ancient gold and silver coins of Japan are all to be incorporated into the building. Dr. Whitney is reported to be engaged in collecting the required specimens.

From a table in the *American Engineering and Mining Journal*, showing the ratio of silver to gold each year since 1887, it appears that the proportion of 16 silver to 1 gold remained fairly steady until 1882, when over 16 was the figure; then owing to nearly 18 in the next three years from 1879 to 1884, the ratio rose over 18, then came 19, 20, 21, and until in 1889 the remaining ratios of 22-23 were reached. For 1890 the figures are 19-25, and for 1891 we get 20-22.

Last year 18 Chinese arrived in New Zealand and 169 left that Colony. In 1881, the year restrictive legislation on the immigration of Chinese was passed, there were 1023 arrivals and 371 departures. The total number of Chinese in the Colony at the recent census was 4239, as against 5004 in 1881. The amount of the poll-tax is £100 per head. Chinese landing are prohibited from engaging in mining without express authority from the Minister of Mines, and are not permitted to become naturalised subjects.

RARELY has a first book been so successful as Lord Rosebery's "Pitt." in the "Twelve English Statesmen Series." So great was the demand for the book that the publishers find it difficult to print their orders. To say that "Pitt" is then the most successful of the series might be ridiculous. But certainly Lord Rosebery's contribution has not been beaten in commendation and censure, as of its sister volumes. Originally, it may be recalled, Mr. John Morley undertook to write on Pitt as well as on Chatham and Walpole.

An extraordinary general meeting of Sayle & Co., Ltd., at Liverpool, was held on the 7th inst., to consider a circular which had been sent round privately with a view to the proposed winding-up. It was unanimously resolved to wind up the Company, the present opportunity being a favorable one, stock being low, but of good quality and the debts of trifling value. Sixty per cent. is mentioned as the probable winding-up dividend. It is considered more than likely that the business will be taken up by private individuals, while will perhaps be better for the general public—and for the promoters.

The *Japan Mail* says:—The assassination of Mr. Hosokawa Hayami, local Secretary of the Hata District in Kochi Prefecture, who met his death at the hands of *Yakuza* partisans on the 15th of last month, the day of the general elections, is described as a most brutal affair. The unfortunate man's body was found, almost to a skeleton, and had to be tied together for purposes of removal.

All the intelligence is Kochi goes to confirm our original statement that the birth-place of Japanese socialism, is conspicuous for the unfitness of its inhabitants, to enjoy the privileges they claim for.

A recent meeting of the Masters and Mates Association of the Strait of Malacca having led to the meeting of Mr. Hartog in saving life from the wreck of the *Maria* near Chefoo, the members expressed their high admiration of his bravery and unanimously resolved to communicate with the Associations in Shanghai and Hongkong with a view to making proper representations in the right quarter that the noble courage of Mr. Hartog might be suitably rewarded. Although Mr. Hartog was not an Englishman he was a marine officer, and such rewards do in the service of mariners should meet with the strongest approbation of associations of mariners.

The Indian Star, in order to obtain subscribers, offers the following inducements:—It will be printed on every Friday in a month with a good article containing 4 pages fully. The paper above referred to is the *Indian Star*, the organ of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Local News of distant Countries, Principal Ports of England, Scotland, Ireland, France, and America, curiosities of Telegraph correspondents and fool-proof argument of valuable and long-headed Professors of Distant Countries. If remittance Rec. 1-8-0 was paid within 10th March, the subscriber will receive a good prize and 1892 paper with post paid. Presents—Ready money, different sorts of ornaments, Cloches, Shawls, Towels, Valuable Books, Watches, different sorts of Time Pieces and some good articles. This prize articles costing from 8 annas to 500 Rupees will be given to subscribers on the 6th March, 1892.

A CHINESE native paper informs us, says the *Singapore Free Press*, that the *Asahi* has recently harboured unaware a sort of Celestial Socialist leader, whose previous record shows him to be more sinister than aimed against. The paragraph runs:—A military student of the Sung-ting district, Kuang-tung, was outlawed some years ago for robbery, murder, and arson, and was condemned to death, but was set on his honor. He escaped to the Sinitto Settlements, where he lay concealed. Last autumn he secretly returned, but the news became known and a warrant was issued for his arrest. Knowing what the consequences would be if he were captured, he took himself to the mountain, known as Tepeishan, after fire attaching to himself several hundred red and desperate characters. Two flags, one red and one white, were raised by him as standards of revolt. On the red flag were written the characters "Reduce taxes for the benefit of the poor and on the white flag the characters "Gathering all brave men." The "Red Flag" is the name of the *Asahi*, and "Kuang-tung" is the name of the *Asahi* and criminals looked for his standard from far and wide; and in about ten days his followers numbered more than 2,000 men.

The magistrate of Buning, not having many soldiers at his command, dared not attack the insurgents, but is concentrating all his available forces for the defence of the city. The high authorities, despatched troops by forced marches to the scene of the disturbance.

The new *Puana Judge* for Penang, to replace Mr. Fletcher, will no doubt be a man of good sense. Three separate handcappers were appointed who drew lots independently of each other. These three handicaps were then posted, and the one which secured the largest number of acceptances was selected by the Stewards.

PAHANG.—Mr. J. P. Rodger, the British Resident of Pahang, who arrived at Singapore on the 8th inst., told a representative of the *Straits Times* that the Malay rumours of an alleged renewed outbreak in the Jellicoe district are totally without foundation. He said that the whole of Pahang trouble was at an end, the whole time remaining during which was to affect the capture of the rebel Orangpan, who still keeps at liberty by dodging about in the jungle. The country is gradually returning to its normal state.

A MANILA telegram of 22nd February states that Mr. W. H. Webster, of the Telegraph Department, having recently inherited forty thousand pounds, is about to proceed to England, preparatory to retirement. Another telegram, two days later, is as follows:

—Mr. Webster, of the Telegraph Department, who was stated to have inherited forty thousand pounds, says the information is not quite correct, and adds that nothing further will be published as regards him. He has already received eight bags containing letters.

With regard to Sir Francis Fleming, says the *Singapore Free Press*, in looking at this gentleman's previous services it is remarked that with the exception of the first few years of his career he has received an annual promotion and has held most varied appointments in all parts of the Empire; Mauritius, the Seychelles, Jamaica, Barbados, the Cape, British Guiana, Ceylon, Natal, Mauritius again, Hongkong, and now Sierra Leone. It is doubtful whether any officer of a little over 20 years' service has so varied a record as the new Governor of Sierra Leone.

Last year was not a very good one for Java, the prices being low and the crop a small one. Towards the end of the year higher prices were obtained in Amsterdam than in London, but it is a question whether this would have been so had the market been pal on the Amsterdam exchange. The attention of the trade to the consumers in Holland has not been so much directed that further efforts are being made in that direction. In future Java will be exclusively used in the manufacture of batik, and the Chinese find ways and means of making a profit which others would unwillingly resort to.

The *Calcutta Mail* learns that the persistent efforts which have been made during the past year by the Geological Department of India, with the encouragement of the Local Government and under the personal direction of Mr. Hughes of that department, in investigating the tin resources of Tenasserim in Lower Burma, seem likely to be productive of positive results. Several parts have, it is said, come forward with offers to open up the mining and the Chief Commissioner is reported to be now negotiating an important lease of the land, brought to light by the researches of the Geological Department, with an eye to batik, which others have been unable to find. The Chinese find ways and means of making a profit which others would unwillingly resort to.

The *Calcutta Mail* says:—The assassination of Mr. Hosokawa Hayami, local Secretary of the Hata District in Kochi Prefecture, who met his death at the hands of *Yakuza* partisans on the 15th of last month, the day of the general elections, is described as a most brutal affair. The unfortunate man's body was found, almost to a skeleton, and had to be tied together for purposes of removal.

All the intelligence is Kochi goes to confirm our original statement that the birth-place of Japanese socialism, is conspicuous for the unfitness of its inhabitants, to enjoy the privileges they claim for.

The *Calcutta Mail* says:—The assassination of the Greeks had a perfect knowledge of the machinery of the "penny in the slot" automatic concern; and that they actually applied it to the distribution of sweets to those desiring to be supplied. They knew the use of the syphon, and they had an automatic arrangement for the opening and closing of the doors of the Temple, which shows that they were not so very far off the invention of the telephone. Some of their manufacturing processes are generally regarded as of essentially modern discovery or invention. A distinguished electrician recently demonstrated that the Greeks had a perfect knowledge of the machinery of the "penny in the slot" automatic concern; and that they actually applied it to the distribution of sweets to those desiring to be supplied. They knew the use of the syphon, and they had an automatic arrangement for the opening and closing of the doors of the Temple, which shows that they were not so very far off the invention of the telephone. Some of their manufacturing processes are generally regarded as of essentially modern discovery or invention.

The Chairman—As there are no further questions, I beg to propose the passing of the report and accounts.

Mr. Phillips—I have great pleasure in seconding.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Phillips—I think one of the greatest things the hotel ought to do is to provide a new rotisserie. A tremendous lot of business is taken away by small outside places, and if a man could come and get his chop where everything was well served a good business could be done. They do not want a small cramped-up place like what we have got (applause). I hope the Directors will see their way to have a better rotisserie.

The Chairman—As soon as the new building is ready we intend to go into the question of making a more suitable rotisserie (hear, hear).

W. H. Wallace proposed, and Mr. J. Michael seconded the re-election of Mr. J. Cox as Director.

Captain Lefevre proposed and Mr. F. P. Sawyer seconded the re-election of Mr. J. Cox.

Both gentlemen were unanimously re-elected.

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Phillips, Mr. Fullerton Henderson was re-appointed auditor, and on the motion of Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Sawyer, Mr. W. H. Potts was appointed the other auditor in room of Mr. H. T. S. Green who has lost the Colony.

Mr. Phillips—I ask if Mr. Ho Tung is still on the board of Directors?

The Chairman—He is still on leave of absence.

Mr. Phillips—I do not think he can be on the Board now because he will have to be re-elected. I do not think the Directors can give him leave of absence.

If you don't want to appoint another director, we shall be better to leave him out and leave it in the hands of the Board, subject to the confirmation of the next meeting.

The Chairman—His attorney wrote to me asking for leave. I think you should write to him to let him know that you are not going to re-elect him.

Mr. Phillips—I think Mr. Ho Tung is quite as well known here and quite as good as any man in the colony.

Mr. Michael—Would you not be better to have another Director to help you in the management of the hotel?

Mr. Phillips—I would suggest that the other Directors should ask somebody to join the Board of Directors. I do not think Mr. Ho Tung can be re-elected.

Mr. Cox—He has not retired.

Mr. Phillips—You all retire; you are elected only for a year.

Mr. Cox—At each meeting—for six months.

Mr. Phillips—You are only elected for that time and unless you are re-elected you cannot serve.

Mr. Cox—I think Mr. Ho Tung is a very valuable man.

The Chairman—from what I understand he is doing at home, he will be of great service when he returns to the Colony.

Mr. Phillips—The best way would be to invite him and make a seat on the Board and then ask for confirmation at the next meeting.

Some other further discussion the subject was dropped.

The Chairman intimated, at the close of the meeting, that the dividend warrants for half-yearly payments would be posted; the dividend warrants on the new issue could be had on application.

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report of the Governing Director, for the year ending the 31st December, 1891, for presentation to the shareholders, jointly with the ordinary general meeting of the Company, on Thursday, 24th inst.

—I beg to lay before you our Report and Balance Sheet for the year 1891.

As you are aware, the Company has been re-constituted under a new Memorandum and Articles of Association which will greatly facilitate the working of the Company's business and increase its earning power.

The Debentures of the Company have been paid off in full.

I am pleased to inform you that money

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